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in the appendix, which also includes those provisions of the revised statutes relating to the assessment and collection of internal revenue taxes in general. The decisions since the first edition and many others not previously cited have been mentioned in their proper places. Several chapters have been entirely rewritten and greatly enlarged.

The author has here dealt with a very important act of Congress, singularly infelicitous in its language and confused in its arrangement but important to every citizen and taxpayer nevertheless, in a very clear manner. The public will therefore welcome the publication of a book which will give a definite answer to the practical and difficult questions which are continually arising under this act of Congress.

H. W. A.

The Law of Arrest. By Harvey Cortlandt Voorhees. Published by Little, Brown & Company, Boston. 1915. pp. XLIII and 287.

This is a second edition of a little book that is in general use in police departments and law offices. It is of first importance that the officer who invades the sacred rights of personal liberty should know exactly what his official rights and duties are. In few cases can he rely solely on the statutes in his jurisdiction for guidance for the reason that they never contain more than a small portion of the law which binds him. A statute, for instance, will tell the officer that it is his duty to make an arrest for a breach of the peace but seldom do they tell him what a breach of the peace is. So of breaking doors; the use of stratagem when effecting an arrest or seizure; illegality in the use of force or handcuffs; confining the prisoner and general treatment of the prisoner. It is in the close case that the statutes do not help the officer and this book has been written to arm him with just such knowledge as he needs at such a time. The author has thoroughly covered the field of the law of arrest and has greatly enhanced the value of his book by the citation of numerous authorities. He has also included a very useful collection of annotated criminal forms relating to the subject. The general excellence of the mechanical make-up of the book deserves special mention. Because of the clearness of the author's treatment and its

thoroughness and accuracy of detail the book should prove invaluable to those for whom it was written.

H. W. A.

Wills and Administration. By William Patterson Borland.
Published by Vernon Law Book Company, Kansas City, Mo.
1915. pp. XV and 723.

This book is a revision and enlargement of a former work of the author, "Notes on the Law of Wills and the Administration of the Estates of Deceased Persons," which was the embodiment of a course of lectures delivered in the Kansas City School of Law. The author has sought here to produce a real text-book rather than a mere running digest of the cases. He has endeavored to state concisely in a single volume all the principles relating to this subject which find support in the adjudicated cases. This was of course a big task, for much of the law of wills is badly tangled. But for this reason the author's effort is all the more commendable and he has succeeded probably as well as the nature of the task which he set himself permitted. It cannot be said that his book is superior to some of the more elaborate works already published but it probably is as good as or better than any one-volume work yet published. From the point of view of the practitioner the book will be most serviceable to the westerner, for the reason that most of the cases cited are from the western states though enough cases have been cited from England and the states generally to make it of more than local value. The law student will find its concise and reliable statement of the leading principles relating to the subject very helpful. We commend it to both lawyer and student.

H. W. A.

Essentials of the Law. By Marshall D. Ewell, Late President and Dean of the Kent College of Law of Chicago. Published by Matthew Bender & Company, Albany, N. Y. 1915. Volume 1. pp. XVI and 867.

This book is the second edition of Professor Ewell's work. It represents an effort by an able law teacher to prepare an edition of Blackstone's Commentaries which will be suitable for use as